

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 210

Introduced by Assembly Member Vargas

January 31, 2005

An act to amend Section 12962 of the Insurance Code, relating to the Insurance Commissioner.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 210, as introduced, Vargas. Insurance Commissioner: reports.

Existing law requires the Insurance Commissioner to make an annual report to the Legislature and to the Governor containing specified information.

This bill would require that this report include the number of new insurance policies or policy revisions submitted for approval each year, as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 12962 of the Insurance Code is
2 amended to read:
3 12962. (a) The commissioner shall make an annual report to
4 the Legislature and to the Governor on or before October 1. The
5 report shall include:
6 ~~(a)~~
7 (1) An analysis of the information required by Sections 674.5,
8 1857.7, 1857.9, 1864, 11555.2, and 12963, including, but not
9 limited to, all of the following:
10 ~~(1)~~

1 (A) An aggregate and an average for all insurers for each item
2 of information required by these sections.

3 ~~(2)–~~

4 (B) The number of insurers reporting policies written for each
5 class during the calendar year.

6 ~~(3)–~~

7 (C) For each class, the number of insurers reporting a
8 combined loss ratio of 100 percent or more, and the number
9 reporting a combined loss ratio of under 100 percent.

10 ~~(4)–~~

11 (D) An analysis of adjustments made to loss reserves for prior
12 years.

13 ~~(5)–~~

14 (E) The change in any item required to be included by
15 paragraphs (1) to (4) subparagraphs (A) to (D), inclusive, from
16 the immediately prior year.

17 ~~(b)–~~

18 (2) *An account of the number of new insurance policies and*
19 *policy revisions submitted for approval during the calendar year,*
20 *including each of the following:*

21 (A) *For policies and policy revisions on which the*
22 *commissioner has acted, a description of the type of policy*
23 *submitted for approval, whether it is a new policy or a policy*
24 *revision, and whether it was approved or disapproved.*

25 (B) *For policies and policy revisions on which the*
26 *commissioner has not yet acted, the date of the initial request, the*
27 *date the commissioner requested any additional information from*
28 *the company submitting the request, and the date the request was*
29 *considered complete.*

30 (3) An analysis of the activities of the Department of
31 Insurance in implementing the provisions of Proposition 103 on
32 the November 8, 1988, general election ballot, as set forth in
33 Article 10 (commencing with Section 1861.01) of Chapter 9 of
34 Part 2 of Division 1.

35 ~~(e)–~~

36 (4) Recommendations and proposals, including suggested
37 legislation, to protect consumers from arbitrary insurance rates
38 and practices, to encourage a competitive insurance marketplace,
39 to provide for an accountable Insurance Commissioner, and to

1 ensure that insurance is fair, available, and affordable for all
2 Californians.

3 ~~(d)~~

4 (5) An analysis on the results of the program to reduce the
5 number of uninsured motorists and the relationship to affordable
6 private passenger vehicle liability insurance rates pursuant to
7 Sections 4750.2 and 4750.4 of the Vehicle Code.

8 ~~(e)~~

9 (b) The requirements of this section shall be satisfied if the
10 analysis required by this section is included in the annual report
11 to the Governor required by Section 12922, and a copy of that
12 report is provided to the Legislature.